

**MEETING OF THE MAYOR AND BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE VILLAGE OF IRVINGTON, NEW YORK
HELD ON MONDAY DECEMBER 4, 2000 AT 7:15 P.M. VILLAGE HALL, 85 MAIN STREET, IRVINGTON,
NEW YORK.**

Present: Dennis P. Flood, Mayor
Garrard R. Beeney, Trustee
Robert H. Pouch, Trustee
Richard J. Livingston, Trustee
Stephen A. McCabe, Village Administrator
Richard Denike, Police Chief
Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer
Lino Sciarretta, Village Attorney's Office

Mayor Flood called the meeting to order. Trustee Pouch made a motion for the Board to adjourn to executive session to take up legal and personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Trustee Livingston and unanimously approved.

Upon reconvening after executive session, the regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Flood who led the attendance in the pledge of allegiance to the flag of the United States of America.

Mayor Flood opened the floor to public comment on matters not contained on the agenda of the regular meeting. Numerous residents of North Buckhout Street discussed quality of life issues such as traffic and parking. Those speaking included Joanne Pappas, Jack Gaffney, John Spigari, Arthur Sagreti, and Gail Gaffney. Mayor Flood directed Village Administrator to meet with a representative of the Post Office. He further directed Chief Denike to focus enforcement efforts in the area. Trustee Beeney suggested raising parking fines in the area.

Ruth Neuwirth discussed the planned project at the former site of the gas station on Main Street. A resident discussed the geese situation in Matthiessen Park. Trustee Beeney discussed the general courtesy of residents and visitors to Irvington. A resident noted that there is a Nazi symbol carved into the sidewalk adjacent to the Burnham Building. Mayor Flood any such markings to be removed. There were no further comments from those in attendance.

Trustee Livingston made a motion to adopt the minutes of the regular meeting of the Village Board held on November 20, 2000. The motion was seconded by Trustee Beeney and unanimously approved.

Mayor Flood read correspondence from Ruth L. Pierpont from the NY State Office of Historic Preservation regarding the listing of the Washington Irving Monument on the National Register of Historic Places; E. O. Sullivan, Executive Director of Scenic Hudson regarding their partnership with the Village on the Waterfront Park Project; and Joe Clarke regarding his Eagle Scout project to paint markings adjacent to fire hydrants throughout the Village. A copy of this piece of correspondence is attached hereto as a part of these minutes.

Mayor Flood provided some background on the proposed certiorari settlement with Half Moon Cooperative Apartments North, Inc. Clerk-Treasurer also provided some historical background. The settlement calls for a refund of \$116,103.29 covering six tax years. After some discussion, Trustee Pouch made a motion to approve the settlement as presented. Trustee Beeney seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

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Trustee Livingston made a motion to approve the following budget amendments in connection with the Half Moon Cooperative Apartments North certiorari settlement:

From: Contingency	\$90,953.91
To: Certiorari Refunds	\$90,953.91
Decrease: Property Tax Revenue	\$25,149.38
Decrease: Contingency	\$25,149.38

The motion was seconded by Trustee Beeney and unanimously approved.

Prior to Mayor Flood's announcement of the results of the bidding for the sale of a surplus garbage truck, Domenick Colasuonno from American Compaction Systems requested to submit a bid for the truck. After some discussion, the Board chose not accept any bids other than those received at the sealed bid opening on November 29, 2000. Mayor Flood requested a motion to award the sale of the truck to the high bidder, Hudson County Motors, in the amount of \$6,000. Trustee Pouch made such a motion. Trustee Livingston seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved.

Trustee Livingston reported that the Department of Public Works was ready for any snow event that might occur and that leaf collection was just wrapping up. He thanked the Fire Department for taking part in the Holiday Happening over the past weekend and for their response to a recent fire.

Trustee Pouch discussed the activities of the Architectural Review Board and the Cable TV Committee. He also indicated that there would be a Theater Board meeting coming up next week.

Trustee Beeney discussed some recent problems with unsupervised children being dropped off at the open gym program. He also discussed the tree lighting program and provided an update on the participation in the recent fall programs. Trustee Beeney announced that the Burnham Building would be receiving a Community Design Award.

Trustee Livingston made a motion for the Board to adjourn to executive session to take up legal and personnel matters. The motion was seconded by Trustee Attai and unanimously approved.

Upon reconvening from executive session, upon a motion duly made, seconded and unanimously approved, the Board approved the hiring of Patrick Colantuono at an hourly rate of \$7.00 in the Clerk's Office.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Lawrence S. Schopfer, Clerk-Treasurer

Attachments